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Great NEWS from the KING's Camp at Namurre, &c.

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YEsternight when we opened the Trenches, we began to fire from one of our Batteries, and the reſt will be ready this Week to Play upon the Place with 200 Cannon and 60 Mortars, ſome of them throwing Bombs of 700 Weight. We deſign to attack none of their Works, till the breaches be ſo great as the Defendants may have but little advantage of the Aſſailants. The Circumvallation of the Camp is about ſeven Leagues in Circumference, and ſo ordered as that the French cannot hinder the Siege, tho' they had an Army able to attempt it. The King views the Enemies Works every day, and as he view'd one of their Works yeſterday, they fired hard upon him, and one Bullet came very near him. Deſerters come by 30 and 40 in a day from their Out-works, and tell us that the Garriſon are very buſie fortifying themſelves. And it's thought by ſome that *Bouffler's* who is ſtill in the place with ſome Ingineers and a great number of Volunteers, and the 1000 Dragoons that he brought with him, will quickly tire the Souldiers out, by the too great fatigue which he puts them too.

Our heavy Cannon, *&c.* is arrived from *Maſtrich*, tho' the French did all they could to prevent it, particularly by with-holding the Water by one of their Sluces at *Dinant*. *Bouffler's* hath granted a Paſs-port for the Count *de Guiſcard* the Governour, to go and ſee his Lady, ready to Lie in. The Garriſon is now ſaid to conſiſt of 15 Battallions Regular Troops, 7 of Country *Militia*, and 5 Regiments of Dragoons. The Palliſado's which they had in ſtore in their Fortifications, were burnt on the 7*th* at night, but how we know not.

The *French* made a Sally upon the *Brandenburgers* on *Sunday* night, but were repulſed with the loſs of 1000 Men as we are informed, and at the ſame time we became Maſters of a ſmall Out-work. The Prince *de Vaudemont* with the Allies, and *Villeroy* with the French, keep ſtill in their old Poſts. Some Incendiaries pretending to be Deſerters, ſet fire to the Souldiers Hutts, and burnt a conſiderable number of them in the Prince's Camp, thinking the fire ſhould have reached the Magazine, but were diſappointed in that.

Pignerol. July 3. The Allies opened the Trenches before *Caſal* on the 27*th*, and are already far advanc'd. We hear that the Garriſon made a ſucceſsful Sally, and kill'd abundance of men in the Trenches.

Paris. 11. It's ſaid that the King or Dauphin will attempt the relief of *Namurre* being much ſurprized with that Siege. That 14000 men are ordered thitherward from *Germany*, and 12000 from the Sea-coaſts. *Caſtle-Follet* is at the utmoſt extremity for want of Proviſions. *Vauban* hath rais'd a new Battery of 60 Guns at *Breſt*.

Turin, July 2. The Allies have advanced 250 Paces nearer *Caſal* with their approaches, and fire on it from their Batteries. The D. of *Savoy* miſs'd little of being kill'd by a Cannon Ball, ſome Officers falling by his ſide; whereupon we have intreated him not to hazard his Perſon any more.

Hailbron, 9. Prince *Lewis* is march'd with the Army to *Sintsheim* to joyn the *Munſterians*, *Heſſians*, &c. and will be near 50000 ſtrong.

The *French* are now within an hour of *Phillipsbourg*, and *de Lorge* being better, prepares to repaſs the *Rhine*, and hold on the defenſive; and it's not doubted but the Prince will follow him, his Army being weakned by detachment to the *Netherlands*, and *Piedmont*.

The Allies are now within 2 hours of the *French*, but they are poſted advantagiouſly.

Vienna, July 2. Our Army is ſtill aſſembling at *Baya*. Letters from *Poland* to day ſay, that the Muſcovites have Beſieg'd *Aſoff*, taken the two Forts at the Mouth of the *Boriſthenes*, and that two Coſack Generals are marcht to Invade the *Crimee*.

Toulon, June 26. Yeſterday Admiral *Ruſſel* appear'd in ſight of this place, and made as if he would have Landed ſome men, but is this day put to Sea again. And one of our Fiſhers who was carried on board, ſays, that many of their men are Sick, that they are in ſome want of Proviſions, and had met with a great Storm on the 24*th*.

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